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CIRCARE is a nonprofit national organization of concerned professionals and lay persons who share the common goal of improving safeguards for human research subjects. We oppose the exploitation and deception of human subjects in unethical studies that violate the human rights, welfare, or the best medical interests of the individual subject.

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CIRCARE's Activites (selected)

In May 2008 CIRCARE president Liz Woeckner and colleagues published a critique of the NIH sponsored Trial to Assess Chelation Therapy; in September 2008 news stories reported OHRP opened an investigation upon receiving allegations of noncompliance, in response to which the trial voluntarily suspended enrollment of new subjects.

> Atwood KC, Woeckner E, Baratz RS, Sampson WI. Why the NIH Trial to Assess Chelation Therapy (TACT) Should Be Abandoned. Medscape J Med 2008;10(5):115. Accessed on 2008-06-11 at: http://journal.medscape.com/viewarticle/570625 (Requires free registration)
>
> Government probes chelation-heart disease study. Marilynn Marchione. AP. 2008-09-25. Accessed on 2009-02-03 at: http://www.newsvine.com/_news/2008/09/25/1913147-government-probes-chelation-heart-disease-study

On 2005-08-02 CIRCARE vice president Paul Gelsinger addressed the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protection on our behalf. CIRCARE was among a number of patient advocacy organizations invited to present their views on the adequacy of human research protections currently in place. Paul's presentation is available at http://www.circare.org/submit/sachrp_20050802.pdf

CIRCARE co-founder Adil Shamoo, Ph.D. was invited to speak at the Health Advocates in Research Conference held on 2005-01-14 at Sarah Lawrence College. The conference celebrated the 25th anniversary of the college's Health Advocacy Program. The brochure for the 2005 Health Advocates in Research conferences is available online at http://www.slc.edu/data/442/link/1278/HAPBrochure.pdf

In March, 2004 Adil Shamoo, Ph.D. and co-author Jonathan Moreno, Ph.D. published an article titled "Ethics of Research Involving Mandatory Drug Testing of High School Athletes in Oregon." [Shamoo A, Moreno D. The American Journal of Bioethics. 2004;4(1):25-31.] This article described the ethical difficulties that prompted OHRP to shut down the NIH-funded SATURN trial and suspend approval of new research at Oregon Health Sciences University. The editors of The American Journal of Bioethics selected it as the target article for solicited Open Peer Commentaries.

Also in March, 2004 Adil Shamoo, Ph.D. and co-author Linda Strause, Ph.D. published an article titled "Closing the Gap in Regulations for the Protection of Human Subjects in Research." [Shamoo A, Strause L. ACRP Monitor. 2004; 18:1.] The article is available at http://www.acrpnet.org/education/hstudy/spring04hs.pdf

Adil Shamoo, Ph.D. spoke at the IRB 101 Conference co-sponsored by Columbia University and PRIM&R titled "Respect for All Involved: A National Research Integrity & Human Research Protections Workshop." The workshop was held on 2003-09-08 and 09.

Paul Gelsinger was a keynote speaker at "Protecting Human Research Subjects: Theory and Practice", a conference sponsored by the Office for Human Research Protections, The U.S. Food & Drug Administration, The Department of Veterans Affairs, and the National Institutes of Health. The conference took place on 2003-06-05 and 06.

Paul spoke at the 10th Annual Bioethics Conference sponsored by the Faculty of Religion at Loma Linda University. The conference took place on 2003-04-23.

Adil Shamoo, Ph.D. published the monograph titled "Responsible Conduct of Research." [Shamoo A. E., Resnik D. B. Responsible Conduct of Research. 2003. Oxford University Press.]

In 2002, Adil Shamoo, Ph.D. published the monograph titled "Ethics of the Use of Human Subjects in Research." [Shamoo A. E., Khin-Maung-Gyi F. A. Ethics of the Use of Human Subjects in Research. 2002. Garland Publishing.]

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